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PETITION FOR STAY

The American Society of Association Executives ("ASAE")¹ hereby seeks a stay of the rules governing unsolicited facsimile advertisements as they apply to tax exempt nonprofit organizations. The rules are set forth in the Report and Order of the Federal Communications Commission ("Commission") adopted June 26, 2003 in the Matter of the Rules and Regulations Implementing the Telephone Consumer Protection Act of 1991 ("TCPA") published in the Federal Register today, July 25, 2003, with an effective date of August 25, 2003. ASAE is filing simultaneously with the Commission a Petition for Emergency Clarification of the unsolicited facsimile advertisement rules as they apply to tax exempt nonprofit organizations and is seeking an interpretation that unsolicited facsimile communications are not prohibited when issued by tax exempt nonprofit organizations in pursuit of their authorized tax exempt nonprofit purposes. For the reasons set forth in ASAE's Petition for Emergency Clarification, ASAE respectfully requests that, if the Commission is unable to clarify the unsolicited facsimile advertisement rules as requested on an emergency basis prior to

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¹ The American Society of Association executives represents over 25,000 professionals that manage tax exempt nonprofit organizations and is considered the "association of associations."

their August 25, 2003 effective date, the Commission stay the rules as they apply to tax exempt nonprofit organizations until it completes its consideration of this issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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